



**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q77556

Eiji HAYASHI

Appln. No.: 10/663,757

Group Art Unit: 3682

Confirmation No.: 3827

Examiner: Terence Boes

Filed: September 17, 2003

For: BALL SCREW APPARATUS

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

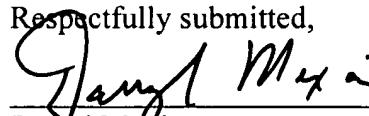
Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
Sir:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement, dated February 6, 2006, Applicant elects Species I, Figures 1, 2 and 3. Claims 1, 2 and 4 read on the elected species. This election is made without traverse.

Applicant reserves the right to file Divisional Applications directed to non-elected claims.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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